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SUBJ: TRADENAME PROTECTION: THE WASHINGTON POST

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1. EMBASSY HAS RECENTLY BECOME AWARE THAT A SMALL, LOCAL FIRM IS PLANNING TO PUBLISH A MONTHLY REVIEW, USING ARTICLES IN SPANISH, BUT UNDER THE "WASHINGTON POST" TRADENAME. UNDERNEATH THE LOGO, WHICH IS IDENTICAL TO THAT OF THE WASHINGTON POST IS THE INSCRIPTION, "FOR NORTH AMERICANS RESIDENT IN URUGUAY" IN SPANISH. THE PUBLISHER HAS PRODUCED A TRIAL EDITION FOR SAMPLE PURPOSES AND IS MAKING ATTEMPTS TO SECURE ADVERTISING.

2. WHEN INTERVIEWED, THE PUBLISHER, JOSE ALBERTO LORES COSTA, STATED THAT HE HAS SENT A COPY OF HIS SAMPLE EDITION TO THE WASHINGTON POST, BUT ADMITTED THAT HE HAS NO AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF THE TRADENAME. HE CLAIMED THAT HE HAS REGISTERED THE TRADENAME IN ACCORD WITH LOCAL LAWS.

3. EMBASSY HAS INVESTIGATED AND FOUND THAT IT IS THE "DIRECCION DE LA PROPIEDAD LITERARIA Y ARTISTICA" OF THE NATIONAL LIBRARY, MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE, WHICH AUTHORIZES USE OF SUCH TITLES. NOTICE OF THIS INFORMATION IS BEING FORWARDED TO THE NATIONAL LIBRARY.
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TENDED REGISTRATION WAS PUBLISHED IN THE DIARIO OFICIAL, APRIL 14-28, 1977. HOWEVER, OPPOSITION IS APPARENTLY POSSIBLE UNTIL MAY 28. IF OPPOSITION IS NOT FILED BY THAT DATE, IT IS POSSIBLE TO ASK FOR CANCELLATION OF THE REGISTRATION, (RECURSO DE ANULACION), BUT THIS IS A LENGTHY PROCESS.

4. COMMENT: THE EMBASSY HAS CONFIRMED THAT IT CAN FILE PROTEST ON BEHALF OF THE WASHINGTON POST IF SO DESIRED. IT SEEMS UNLIKELY THAT THIS PROPOSED PUBLICATION IN URUGUAY COULD BE COMMERCIALY PROFITABLE. HOWEVER, IDENTIFIED AS THE "WASHINGTON POST" IT COULD SUCCESSFULLY RUN FOR A FEW ISSUES GATHERING ADVERTISEMENTS. SEVERAL PERSONS WHO HAVE BEEN APPROACHED HAVE ASKED THE EMBASSY IF THERE IS A RELATION WITH THE WASHINGTON POST. IN ADDITION, THE GOVERNMENT, PRESS AND PUBLIC MAY SEE STORIES IN THIS PROPOSED PUBLICATION AND ATTRIBUTE THEM IN ERROR TO THE WASHINGTON POST.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: IN VIEW OF THE MAY 28 DEADLINE FOR FILING OPPOSITION, PLEASE CONTACT THE WASHINGTON POST AND INFORM THEM OF THE FOREGOING. AS THE EMBASSY IS APPARENTLY IN A POSITION TO FILE OPPOSITION (SEE PARA 4), IT WOULD BE PLEASED TO DO SO IF THE WASHINGTON POST SO WISHES. THE WASHINGTON POST MAY ALSO WISH TO RETAIN LEGAL COUNSEL HERE TO ACT ON ITS BEHALF IN THIS MATTER. THE EMBASSY BELIEVES, BASED ON THE INFORMATION NOW AVAILABLE, THAT IF OPPOSITION IS FILED IN TIME, THE MATTER CAN PROBABLY BE CLOSED RAPIDLY.
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